



¶ By the King.

¶ A second Proclamation for the apprehension of
Richard Smith, a Popish Priest, stiled, and calling him-
selfe, The Bishop of Calcedon.



Hereas by Our Proclamation, bearing date the eleuenth day of December last past, (for the reasons in that Our Proclamation expressed) wee did straitly command, that none of Our Subjects should harbour or conceale the sayd Smith, but that soorthwith they should arrest and apprehend his bodie, and bring him before the next Justice of Peace, to the place where hee should bee apprehended, whom wee thereby command to commit him to prison without Bayle or Maineyprise, and presently to enforme Us, or Our Privie Counsell, of his apprehension : And wee did hereby declare, That if any person should then after, directly or indirectly, harbour or conceale the sayd Smith, or vsle, or coninue at any meanes, whereby the sayd Smith might escape from beeing apprehended or arrested, that wee should extend the vttermost severitie of Our Lawes against every such offender, as by Our Proclamation more at large appeareth ; whiche Our Proclamation hath not yet wrought that good effect which wee expected, the sayd Smith beeing still hidden and harboured by those, who, beeing infected and blinded with Popish superstition, preferre their respects to him before their dutie to Us, and the feare of Our high displeasure, and the consequence thereof ; wee therefore, by the aduise of Our Privie Counsell, hane thought fit by this Our second Proclamation to renew Our former command in that behalfe.

And to the end that none of Our Subjects may hereafter excuse themselves by a pretended ignorance of the danger they shall fall into, if they shall harbour or conceale him ; wee doe hereby publish and declare, That the sayd Smith is not onely a Popish Priest, and with a high presumption taketh upon him to exercise Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, pretended to bee derived from the See of Rome, Within this Our Realme, and endeauoureth to seduce Our

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Subjects from the true Religion established in the Church of England, (which, by Gods assistance wee shall euer constantly maintaine) but doeth also seditionously and traiterously hold correspondence with Our enemies, tending to the destruction of Our State.

And therefore wee doe now againe renew Our former command for his apprehension, and doe hereby further signifie, That whosoeuer shall Lodge, Harbour, or Relieue the sayd Smith, or any other Priest, Jesuite, or other, having taken Orders by authoritie pretended to bee derived from the Sea of Rome, shall incurre the danger of Our Lawes made against the harbourers, Lodgers, and Relieuers of Priests, to the full extent thereof, which by the Statutes of this Our Realme is Felonie.

And wee doe further hereby declare, (which wee shall really performe) That whosoeuer shall discouer the sayd Smith, and cause him to bee apprehended, as aforesayd, shall haue a reward of one hundred pounds in money, to bee presently payd vnto him by Us, and shall also haue the benefit of all such Penalties and Forfeitures, which shall or may accrue vnto Us, and bee forfeited by that person, in whose house the sayd Smith shall bee found to haue beene harbour'd or concealed.

And wee further charge and command hereby, (as by Our former Proclamation wee did) all and singuler Our Judges, Justices of Peace, Maiors, Sherriffes, Constables, and all other Our Officers, Ministers and louing Subjects, That if they shall finde any person offending herein, that then they, and every of them, proceede with all diligence and readinesse, not onely against the sayd Smith, but also against all such as shall harbour, conceale, or connive at his concealement, or shall not vse their best endeavours for his discovery and apprehension, according to the bittermost extent of Our Lawes.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the foure and twentieth day of March, in the fourth yere of Our Reigne, of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saueth the King.



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